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1. THE POST WISHES TO NOMINATE MR. DALMIRO CABALLERO, GENERAL MANAGER OF ENEE (EMPRESA NACIONAL DE ENERGIA ELECTRICA--NATIONAL ELECTRIC POWER COMPANY) AS CANDIDATE MULTI-REGIONAL PROJECT ON ENERGY TECHNOLOGY.

DALMIRO CABALLERO IS DEEPLY INVOLVED IN A PROJECT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A \$328 MILLION HYDROELECTRIC DAM AT EL CAJON IN 1976, HAVING AN ENEE EXECUTIVE IN THE MULTI-REGIONAL PROJECT ON ENERGY TECHNOLOGY MIGHT VERY WELL ENHANCE U.S. BUSINESSMEN'S CHANCES WHEN BIDDING PROCESS COMMENCES NEXT YEAR.

2. CABALLERO GRADUATED AS CIVIL ENGINEER, UNIVERSITY OF HONDURAS, AND SPECIALIZED IN HYDROELECTRIC ENGINEERING, UNIVERSITY OF BRAZIL. BESIDES STUDYING INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTIVITY AND MARKETING, MOST OF HIS CAREER HAS BEEN DEVOTED TO IRRIGATION AND HYDROELECTRIC PROJECTS IN HONDURAS. HE WAS SUB-DIRECTOR OF THE HYDROMETRIC NATIONAL SERVICE, AND LATER ZONE CHIEF IN ONE OF THE COUNTRY'S MOST IMPORTANT AGRARIAN DEPARTMENTS: COMAYAGUA. HE LATER JOINED THE BESSOSI COMPANY TO CARRY OUT STUDIES CONCERNING A PROJECT TO PROVIDE TEGUCIGALPA WITH POTABLE WATER. MR. CABALLERO TAUGHT GEOMETRY, HYDRAULIC AND HYDROLOGY SCIENCES

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AT THE SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING, NATIONAL UNIVERSITY. CABALLERO

HAS BEEN ACTIVE AT HIGHEST LEVEL OF LEADERSHIP IN EVERY PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION CONCERNED WITH INDUSTRIAL AND AGRARIAN DEVELOPMENT IN HONDURAS. HIGHLY RESPECTED BY HIS PEERS, HE HAS OFTEN BEEN CHOSEN TO REPRESENT HIS COUNTRY AS AN OFFICIAL DELEGATE TO REGIONAL CONFERENCES AND INTERNATIONAL CONGRESSES IN THE HEMISPHERE AND EUROPE. HE HAS WIDENED HIS EXPERIENCE AS AN ENGINEER BY HOLDING OFFICE FOR FOUR YEARS WP DIRECTOR OF HONDURAS CENTRAL BANK; THREE YEARS AS VICE-PRESIDENT OF HONDURAS INDUSTRIAL AND CONSTRUCTION CHAMBER; AND ONE YEAR AS DIRECTOR OF THE NATIONAL INDUSTRIAL ASSOCIATION. HIS KNOWLEDGE OF ENGLISH IS FAIR.

3. PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS: WE ARE SURE CABALLERO WILL TAKE FULL ADVANTAGE OF THE FIRST WEEK'S PROGRAM WHICH OFFERS MEETINGS AND INTERVIEWS WITH AMERICAN OFFICIALS AND SCIENTISTS, OBSERVATION OF ENERGY RESEARCH AND PRODUCTION TECHNIQUES. THE INTRAGROUP DISCUSSIONS SHOULD PROVE MOST REWARDING IN THE ANALYSIS OF ENERGY PROBLEMS AND ISSUES. DURING THE SECOND WEEK POST BELIEVES CABALLERO SHOULD JOIN GROUP B. THIS WOULD PROVIDE HIM WITH IDEAL OPPORTUNITY TO GATHER INFORMATION ON LATEST TECHNIQUES TO BE APPLIED IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE \$328 MILLION HYDROELECTRIC DAM TO BE STARTED HONDURAS LATE 1976.

4. CABALLERO WAS ALSO ACTIVE IN A PROJECT DESIGNED TO ORGANIZE AN EFFICIENT PROGRAM FOR ROAD MAINTENANCE IN HONDURAS. HE WAS APPOINTED GENERAL INSPECTOR AND SHOULD BE GIVEN OPPORTUNITY TO OBSERVE NEW ROAD MAINTENANCE OR CONSTRUCTION TECHNIQUES FOR POSSIBLE APPLICATION IN THIS COUNTRY, CONSIDERING CLIMATE, COSTS, ETC. CABALLERO IS ALSO ENTHUSIASTIC SPORTS FAN (SOCCER, BASEBALL) AND ON WEEK-ENDS HE WOULD APPRECIATE CHANCE ATTEND GAMES.

5. MR. CABALLERO'S NOMINATION FALLS WITHIN OUR CCP PRIORITIES IN VIEW OUR EXPORT PROMOTION OBJECTIVES AND POTENTIAL PRESENTED BY THE HYDROELECTRIC PROJECT HE WILL HEAD LATE 1976.

CABALLERO'S FULL BIO-DATA AIR POUCHED TODAY.
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